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SUBJECT: Region 3 Unemployment Insurance (UI) Benefit Accuracy Measurement/Benefit Payment Control (BAM/BPC) Conference, Gulf Shores, Alabama, October 6-9, 2003

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To announce a regional UI BAM/BPC Conference to be held in Gulf Shores, Alabama, October 6-9, 2003, and to request submission of agenda items.
- 2. <u>Background</u>. The national office conducted a national UI Integrity Professional Development Conference in Norfolk, Virginia, on April 15-16, 2003. The Region 3 BPC staff who attended the Norfolk Conference recommended we put our own conference together to deal with regional overpayment issues. The regional office has expanded this request to include BAM and BPC program operations, both of which deal with overpayments.
- 3. <u>Registration Fee</u>. The registration fee is \$50.00 if paid by September 5, 2003, or \$65.00 after that date. Checks should be made payable to "BAM-BPC Training/IAWP Conference" and mailed to:

Ms. Gwendolyn Sims Benefit Payment Control Room 4676 Department of Industrial Relations 649 Monroe Street Montgomery, Alabama 36131

4. <u>Hotel Registration</u>. A block of rooms has been reserved through September 5, 2003, at the Beachside Resort Hotel, 931 W. Beach Boulevard, P. O. Drawer 1013, Gulf Shores, Alabama 36547. Reservations must be made by September 5, 2003, under the name "BAM-BPC Training/IAWP Conference" to receive the group discount, and must be guaranteed with a credit card or by cash deposit. The room rates are on a first-come, first-served basis. An 11% tax is in addition to the basic room rate.

| Gulf Doubles, Golf Kings, West Gulf Doubles | \$79 |
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| Gulf King Suites, West Gulf King Suites     | \$89 |
| Gulf King Kitchens, West Gulf King Kitchens | \$99 |

To make reservations, please call the hotel at 1-800-844-6913, Ext. 110 or 302, or make reservations on line at http://www.qibeachside.com (use Group ID: 31509).



5. <u>Ground Transportation</u>. For those driving, from I-10 or I-65 take Gulf Shores Parkway South, (Highway 59). Follow Highway 59 South to the beach; turn right on West Beach Boulevard (Highway 182), then one mile on left.

For those flying, both Mobile and Pensacola Regional Airports service this area. Shuttle transportation to and from both airports is available through Mobile Bay Transportation (251/633-5693).

From the Pensacola airport, travel to the hotel takes one hour; \$73.00 for one person or \$37.50 per person for two or more. From the Mobile airport, travel to the airport takes one and a half hours and is \$125 for up to four persons; for more than four persons, each additional person is \$32.50.

- 6. <u>Action Required</u>. Please provide the above information to both the BAM and BPC staff who should be attending this conference and request that agenda items for the conference be submitted.
- 7. <u>Inquiries</u>. Questions should be directed to Walter Kozik at 404/562-2122, or e-mail to kozik.walter@dol.gov
- 8. Expiration Date. October 10, 2003.

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